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PATENT

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In re Application of: Heather D. Maynard et al. Confirmation No.: 9676
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For: BIOMACROMOLECULE POLYMER CONJUGATES

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DECLARATION OF
HEATHER D. MAYNARD AND DEBORA BONTEMPO
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.132

We Declare That:

1. We are the joint inventors of the above referenced application and there are no other inventors.
2. The journal article entitled "In Situ Preparation of Protein – "Smart" Polymer Conjugates with Retention of Bioactivity" (*JACS*, 127, p16955-16960 (2005)) identifying the authors as Karina L. Heredia, Debora Bontempo, Tiffany Ly, Joshua T. Byers, Sven Halstenberg and Heather D. Maynard, is a report of the invention jointly made by the undersigned and the authors other than the undersigned are not inventors of the invention claimed in the above referenced application.
3. Karina L. Heredia, Tiffany Ly, Joshua T. Byers and Sven Halstenberg did not participate in conception of the claimed invention or its reduction to practice.
4. At all times Karina L. Heredia, Tiffany Ly, Joshua T. Byers and Sven Halstenberg only provided support services in preparing and testing materials under the direction of the undersigned. Specifically:
 - a. Joshua Byers and Sven Halstenberg expressed the T4 lysozyme protein that was utilized in the procedure reported in the Heredia et al. article,

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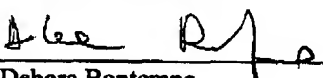
- b. Tiffany Ly reduced the protein BSA and in the preparation and characterization of the protein initiators, and
 - c. Karina Heredia assisted the undersigned in the polymerization from both BSA and T4L as described in the Heredia et al. journal article and tested for the biological activity of the lysozyme conjugates after polymerization.
5. None of these activities constituted invention of any of the claims set forth in the above identified application.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that those statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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March 26th, 2009


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